NUMB. IV

The Grub-ſtreet Journal.

Thursday, JANUARY 29. 1730.

——————What ſtreet, what lane but knows
Our purgings, pumpings, blanketings, and blows?
In every loom our labours ſhall be ſeen;
And the freſh vomit run for ever green.

Dunciad, B. II.

WEDNESDAY, *Jan.* 28.

Mr. Secretary acquainted the Society, that he had received a Letter from an eminent Bookſeller; which by their Orders he read, as follows;

SIR, *Covent-Garden, Jan.* 23, 1730.

UPON the publication of the firſt Journal of your Society, I went to three or four Coffee-houſes, in hopes of ſeeing it; but met with a diſappointment, not uncommon upon the firſt appearance of a new Paper. Soon after this, I asked the opinion of a learned Gentleman who writes for me, concerning it; who aſſured me, that it was a very ſilly Paper, without one dram of wit; and that ſome ingenious Friends of his, who meet at a Coffee-houſe near the Change, had pronounced its doom, That it could not live a week, and that number the firſt would infallibly be number the laſt.

This has proved a very falſe conjecture; and upon reading the three numbers already publiſhed, I am forced to diſſent from thoſe learned Gentlemen, as much in the former, as in the latter part of their opinion. For I think your Journal may not unfitly be compared to a Raree-Show, which, as well as thoſe who carry it, has a very plain and mean external appearance; but if we look into it intently, the proſpect inlarges by degrees, and gives us a moſt ſurpriſing and delightful entertainment, ſucceſſively preſenting to our view the greateſt variety of nature and of art. The thoughts of the Town concerning this Raree-Show are very various: which has united all mine at preſent in this one, not to loſe any time in making application, by you, to the learned Society, for the favour and honour of being appointed their Bookſeller. An honour, for which it would have been a great preſumption to ſollicite, without ſome foundation for ſuch pretenſions. On which account, that natural backwardneſs and modeſty, which has been a great diſadvantage to me on many occaſions, would have likewiſe reſtrained me from putting my ſelf forward on this, did I not humbly conceive, that in many reſpects I may juſtly hope for a preference to any other competitor.

For I can, with the greateſt veracity, and without the leaſt vanity, affirm, that no one perſon in the whole fraternity of Bookſellers, has ſo much promoted the intereſt of your members in particular, and conſequently of the whole Society in general, as my ſelf. No man ever employed ſo great number of them, within the ſame compaſs of time; or payed them ſo generouſly, as I have done. And for the truth of this I appeal to thoſe Gentlemen themſelves; and to you, Sir, in particular.

I dare challenge the moſt eminent of the trade to ſhew a catalogue of books of his own printing, equal to that which I am ready to produce. Let the compoſitions of levity be counted by number, and thoſe of gravity examined by weight; the Stock of my Antagoniſt will be found deficient in the ſum total, and deceitful upon the balance.

Thoſe who have made the greateſt figure in our way have generally run chiefly upon ſome ſingle branch of Science, as Divinity, Phyſic, Law, Poetry, &c. and have frequently raiſed an eſtate, by going on ſervilely and ſtupidly in one track of buſineſs. But, moved by nobler views, and having a laudable ambition to become famous in the Commonwealth of learning, I ſcorned to confine my ſelf to any one of its parts, but endeavoured to the utmoſt of my power to promote it in all. And tho' Biography, ſecret Hiſtory, natural Philoſophy, and Poetry, were my chief favourites; yet no part of literature can complain, that it has been diſregarded, much leſs intirely neglected by me. And, I believe, a perfect *Encyclopædia* of Arts and Sciences may be collected ſolely from the books which I have publiſhed.

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This may ſeem a paradox to thoſe, who form a judgment of the number of books printed for me, by ſeeing my name in the Title Page; and may thence be apt to conclude, that where that does not appear, I was not at all concerned. This is a very uncertain way of judging: there being a great many caſes, in which it is not at all proper, either for an Author, or a Bookſeller, to put his name to the book he publiſhes. And I can evidently prove, whenever it ſhall be deemed neceſſary, that I have actually printed and ſold as many books under fictitious names, or under none at all, as under my own. By which conduct of mine, thoſe which were before kept up at an exorbitant price, have been put into a great many hands, at a moderate rate, to the great advancement of learning and knowledge. This I always preferred to my own private emolument, and for the ſake thereof, have expoſed my ſelf to continual dangers and loſſes.

In ſhort, I may venture to affirm, that the myſtery of bookſelling has been carried to a greater height by me, than by any, either of my Predeceſſors, or Contemporaries; and that I have outgone every one of them in his own particular way. I had gained ſo great an aſcendant over Authors, that great numbers were always ready to write upon any ſubject whatever, by my advice and direction; for which I always gratified them in a handſome manner. And as for thoſe, who, out of private views, declined my acquaintance, and refuſed me their copies on any terms I could offer, theſe I obliged to write for me *gratis*; and publiſhed, and ſold many fine compoſitions, both in proſe and verſe, under their names.

This extraordinary way of trade, as it gained me the admiration of the world, ſo it raiſed againſt me the envy of many Bookſellers, and the enmity of many Authors; which had likely to have proved fatal to me. For 1716. one of the latter, having invited me to a Tavern, under pretence of buſineſs, infuſed poiſon into the wine: but thro' the happineſs of my conſtitution, and the protection of the divine providence, that which was deſigned for my deſtruction, contributed to my health, working off only as a ſtrong Emetic and Purge, and ſo proved to be phyſic inſtead of poiſon. This villainous attempt upon my Life was owing to *Popery*; a religion (if it may be ſo called) which teaches its votaries to do evil that good may come of it, to keep no faith with Heretics, and to make uſe of private doſes and daggers.

Not long after this, upon an invitation from the King's Scholars, I went to Weſtminſter; where I was treated in a moſt barbarous and inhumane manner; without the leaſt regard to the ſacred ground on which the College ſtands, or to the vicinity of the Abbey, of the King's moſt antient Palace, and of the Courts of Judicature; which formerly were, and ought ſtill to be, ſecure places of ſanctuary and refuge to the innocent. I uſed my utmoſt endeavours to get ſome ſatisfaction for this outrageous violence: but as if Juſtice was fled from Weſtminſter-Hall, as well as piety from Weſtminſter-Abbey, I could meet with no Lawyer who would undertake my cauſe, tho' I did not pretend to conſult any *in forma pauperis.*

And as the firſt attempt upon my perſon was made by a profeſt Papiſt; ſo I have all the reaſon in the world to believe, that the ſecond was approved, if not incouraged, by a late Biſhop, who once made a bitter invective againſt me in the Houſe of Lords, and was ſince baniſhed for holding a treaſonable correſpondence with the Pretender. So that under theſe afflictions, ſo grievous to fleſh and blood, I had this conſolation, that I ſuffered as a good Proteſtant by the Friends of Popery and arbitrary Power; and that my greateſt enemies were likewiſe the moſt inveterate enemies of our Conſtitution in Church and State.

But that which gave me the moſt ſenſible affliction was, that by their falſe repreſentations they were at leaſt able to draw upon me a proſecution from the Government, to which I have always been ſo well affected. So that inſtead of admitting me into a ſhare in printing the Gazette, Votes, &c. for my good ſervices, as I had juſt reaſon to expect, *Feb.* 1727. I was advanced to a ſtation, to which, tho' very conſpicuous, I had no ambition to aſpire. However, I have now got over the ſenſe of that diſgrace, as it appears in the eye of the world; and being conſcious to my ſelf of having done nothing that is ſhameful, am really aſhamed of nothing. And in all my troubles I have found That true by experience, which I declared to ſeveral perſons after a late fit of ſickneſs, That nothing can ſupport a man ſo well under any affliction as the teſtimony of a good Conſcience.

This ſhort account of what I have done and ſuffered in extending the liberty of the preſs, the ſource of all our other liberties, might be conſiderably inlarged by many more particulars. But what I have already touched upon, will, I truſt, ſet my actions and ſufferings, as a Bookſeller, in a true light, ſuperior to any other of the profeſſion; and draw upon me the favourable regards of your honourable Society.

Give me leave to mention one thing more, which, even on ſuppoſition that the balance was at preſent even, muſt neceſſarily, as I imagine, turn the ſcale on my ſide. I have my ſelf written many *Things*, both in proſe and verſe, which have been well received by the Town; and, from the ſtyle and manner of them, have been thought to be the productions of ſome of the moſt eminent Grubæan Sages.

It is not uncommon, for ingenious Perſons in this great City, whoſe heads have been a little touched by their misfortunes in trade, or otherwiſe, to ſet up for Authors, and to make application to become Members of your Society; as if it were a kind of hoſpital, founded for the reception of perſons of crazy intellects, and broken fortunes. On the contrary, in the full tide of buſineſs and reputation, and in the full vigour of underſtanding, I on all occaſions ſhewed the greateſt veneration for your learned body. And yet, after all, I am not ſo ambitious as to deſire to be admitted as a Member, on the merit of being an Author: but ſhall think all the *pains* I have taken or felt, either in mind or body, well repaid, if by your favour the Title of *Bookſeller to the learned Society of Grub-ſtreet* ſhall be conferred upon,

SIR,

Your moſt obliged, obedient,
And humble Servant,
KIRLEUS.

After the reading of this Letter, the Chairman propoſed, That ſince the choice of a Bookſeller was a thing of great importance, it might not be made precipitately; but that all the Members ſhould have time to conſider maturely of it. In the mean while, to ſhew the great regard the Society had to the extraordinary merits of Mr. Kirleus, which had been repreſented by him in ſo elegant a manner, he thought it very proper, that this Letter ſhould be publiſhed in the Journal of to-morrow. Which was ordered to be done accordingly.

LONDON.

I cannot but wonder at our Brethren the Authors of the *Univerſal Spectator*, who in the *Daily Poſt* of Friday have preſumed to advertiſe, that their Paper contains *the beſt Advices, both Foreign and Domeſtick, particularly Home News, in which* they have the aſſurance to ſay, their Paper *exceeds all the other Journals.* It is an unpardonable Inſolence in a private club of Authors to ſpeak thus highly of their own Performance, when they know there is a Journal publiſhed by the publick Authority of this Society, of which they are members. Were it true, that *the ſale of their paper is of late greatly encreaſed*, as they pretend, I am of opinion, they would have no occaſion to take the pains to tell it us in their advertiſement.

Jeffery Quidnunc.

THURSDAY, *Jan.* 22. His Majeſty hath been pleaſed to grant unto his Royal Highneſs the Prince of Wales, full Power and Authority to conſtitute and appoint, by his Letters Patents under his great ſeal, from time to time, a Chancellor, Commiſſioners, Counſel learned in the Law, Auditors, Receivers, and other his Officers and Miniſters, of his Honours, Manors, Lordſhips, &c. *Courant.*

We hear that Mr. Juſtice Denton is appointed Chancellor to his Royal Highneſs, and keeper of his great ſeal. *Ibid.*

Yeſterday the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Winchelſea and Nottingham took his place in the Houſe of Peers. *Ibid.*

Robberies are ſo very frequent, that 'tis dangerous traveling the Roads by day, and in the Streets by night. *Flying Poſt.*

On Tueſday laſt ſome Footmen inſulted a noble Lord at St. James's, and were put under arreſt for ſeveral hours, and afterwards diſcharged upon their ſubmiſſion. *Daily Poſt.*

Yeſterday ended the ſcrutiny on the Poll for Common-Council-Men for Vintry Ward, when the following Perſons were declared duly elected, viz. Mr. Edmund Trench, Deputy, Mr. Wm. Rous, Mr. Robert Kid, Mr. Chriſtopher Cheesborough, Mr. Tho. Gregg, Mr. John Harbin, Mr. Sam. Allen, Mr. Stephen Frew, and Mr. Daniel Towne. *Daily Journal.*

This Morning a General Court was held by the Governors of St. Bartholomew's Hoſpital, when was preſent the Rt. Hon. the Lord Mayor, Preſident, and ſeveral others the Governors; at which time Samuel Palmer, Eſq; a very eminent Surgeon, and a Gentleman of great worth, was unanimouſly elected Treaſurer of the ſaid Hoſpital, in the room of Robert Witham, Eſq; deceaſed; he was propoſed by Sir John Williams, Knt. one of the preſent Sheriffs, who in a very eloquent Speech recommended him as worthy of ſo conſiderable a truſt *London Evening.*

FRIDAY, *Jan.* 23. Yeſterday two Men ſtood in the Pillory in Lincoln's-Inn-Fields, purſuant to their ſentence at Hicks's-Hall, for going about with a pretended Brief, to collect Money for loſſes by fire. *Courant.*

The ſame day a Perſon was committed to the new Goal in Southwark, for that he and two others, who made their eſcapes, broke into Lambeth Church with an intent to rob the ſame. *Ibid.*

On Wedneſday laſt John Birch was committed to New Priſon by Juſtice Philips, on ſuſpicion of robbing on the Highway, (in company with two others not yet taken) Richard Tridgon, Edward Penny, and John Blancy, of 25 s. and ſtripping them almoſt naked. *Ibid.*

The Mails due from France and Holland came in Yeſterday; but the latter affords very little matter, being filled with the Articles of Peace publiſhed here a Fortnight ago. They mention young Mr. Walpole to be arrived at Venice, with ſome other Engliſh Gentlemen. The Emperor has made the young Prince of Savoy, whoſe name is Eugene, a Knight of the Order of the Golden Fleece, telling his Uncle, *He hoped to find in that young Gentleman another Prince* Eugene *of* Savoy. It is now ſaid General Zumjungen is to command the Imperial Army in Italy. *Poſt Boy.*

On Wedneſday laſt ended the ſcrutiny of the Poll for the Election of a Common-Council-Man for St. Faith's Precinct in Caſtle-Baynard Ward, in the room of Mr. Osborn, who reſigned; the Candidates were, Mr. Cordwell, City-Carpenter, and Mr. Nourſe, an eminent Surgeon; the former carried it by a conſiderable Majority; whereupon Mr. Alderman Barber declared him duly elected, and he was ſworn in accordingly. *Daily Poſt.*

On Wedneſday laſt a Welſhman and an Iriſhman were carried to the Roundhouſe for ſtealing a pair of Shoes out of a Cellar in Chandos-ſtreet, and were there charged with ſeveral other Felonies; whereupon they were committed to the Gate-houſe by Juſtice Beaver. *Daily Journal.*

It is probable theſe worthy Gentlemen took the Shoes only with a deſign of ſhewing them in their own Countries as a Curioſity.

On Wedneſday laſt an aged couple were married at Richmond Church, the Bridegroom being no leſs than 74, and the Bride 80 Years of Age. *Morning Poſt.*

SATURDAY, *Jan.* 24. At the Court at St. James's, January 22, 1729.

Preſent the King's moſt excellent Majeſty in Council.

His Majeſty in Council was this day pleaſed to appoint the following Sheriffs, viz.

Bucks, George Franklin, of Haddenham, Eſq;
Dorſet, Sydenham Williams, of Harringſton, Eſq;
Derby, William Hodgkinſon, of Aſhover, Eſq;
Glouceſter, Samuel Spheppard, of Avening, Eſq;
Lincoln, Thomas Pindar, Eſq;
Northampton, John Ward, Eſq;
Suffolk, Sir Thomas Allin, Bart.
Warwick, Samuel Stephenſon Alleyne, Eſq;

South Wales.

Brecon, Lewis Harcourt, of Davy-Park, Eſq; *Gazette.*

Yeſterday at noon ended the Poll for a Repreſentative in Parliament for the Borough of Southwark, which ſtood thus,

Thomas Inwen, Eſq; ——— 800
Richard Lewin, Eſq; ——— 540 *Courant.*

Laſt night the Poll ended for a Member of Parliament for the Borough of Southwark, when it ſtood thus;

For Thomas Inwen, Eſq; ——— 826
Richard Lewin, Eſq; ——— 540

Majority 286

And Mr. Inwen was accordingly declared to be duly elected. *Poſt Boy.*

The Daily Poſt, Journal, *and* Morning Poſt, *agree with the* Poſt Boy.

On Wedneſday came on the Election of a Repreſentative in Parliament for Banbury, in the room of Francis North, now Lord Guildford, when Toby Chanſey, Eſq; was elected. *Courant.*

On Thurſday night a Countryman that came to town with Sir John Groſvenor from Weſtcheſter, was knocked down in Dirty-lane by 3 Street Robbers, who took from him 30 Guineas that were ſewed up in the waſt part of his Breeches. *Ibid.*

We are ſorry that the man ſhould have any waſt part *in* his Breeches, *and fear our Author has* a waſt part *in his* Hat.

On ſunday laſt died at Nacton-Hall in the County of Suffolk, the Lady Rhoda Cavendiſh, Relict of the Rt. Hon. the Lord Henry Cavendiſh, Brother to the late Duke of Devonſhire, and Siſter to Thomas Cartwright, Eſq; of Aynho in Northamptonſhire. *Poſt Boy.*

Yeſterday being the firſt Day of Term, the ſeveral Perſons bound over on account of Pamphlets and News-Papers, appeared upon their Recognizances at the King's-Bench Bar, Weſtminſter, and were all continued. *Ibid.*

Mr. Thomas Bambridge and Mr. Richard Corbet appeared upon their Recognizances, for the Appeal that is lodged againſt them by the Widow Caſtell, for the murder of her Husband, and their Appearance was recorded. *Ibid.*

Yeſterday morning the body of one Woolridge, a working Silverſmith, was found dead in a ditch in Stepney-fields, with his throat cut from ear to ear, and his Coat and Waſtecoat, Buckles and Money, were all taken away; which gives room to imagine that he was firſt rifled and then murdered. *Ibid.*

The ſame day Mary Friendly was committed to Newgate, for ſtealing 4 ſilver ſpoons, value 48 s. and a ſilver ſalt, value 16 s. from her Maſter, Mr. Thomas James. *Ibid.*

MONDAY, *Jan.* 26. Laſt Friday, as ſoon as the election was over, and Mr. Inwen duly choſen, and returned by the Bailiff to ſerve in Parliament for the Borough of Southwark; he diſtributed large ſums of Money among the poor, and releaſed all the Debtors confined in the Compter Priſon; and upon their diſcharge, gave each of them a Guinea to provide themſelves Neceſſaries for the preſent. *Poſt Boy.*

On Tueſday laſt came on the Election for a Member of Parliament for the Borough of Andover, in the County of Southampton, in the room of the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Portmore, when William Guidot, Eſq; was choſe without oppoſition. *Ibid.*

On Thurſday laſt came on the Election for Member of Parliament for the Borough of Boſton in Lincolnſhire, in the room of Henry Pacey, Eſq; deceaſed; and upon caſting up of the books the Poll ſtood thus;

The Rt. Hon. the Lord Colraine	——	70
Mr. Wood	——	40
Mr. Langton	——	17
Mr. Marten	——	13 *Ibid.*

On Friday laſt died at Epſom in the County of Surrey, the Rt. Hon. the Counteſs of Yarmouth, ſecond Wife to the Earl of Yarmouth, aged upwards of 80 Years: She was ſuddenly taken ill laſt Tueſday night: We hear that by her death a ſmall Penſion reverts to the Crown. *Daily Poſt* and *Journal.*

The Undertakers of the great Sewer between Charing-Croſs and Cleveland Court, St. James's, have had 3000l. advanced them by the Commiſſioners of the ſaid Sewer. *Ibid.*

On Friday night laſt died Mr. Finch, Keeper of the Guy of Warwick Ale-houſe in the Old Bailey, who, 'tis ſaid, was to be a material Evidence againſt Mr. Bambridge and Richard Corbet, at their Tryals upon the Appeal againſt them for the murder of Mr. Caſtel, which comes on this day at the Court of King's-Bench at Guildhall, before the Lord Chief Juſtice Raymond. It being remarkable that his death ſhould happen juſt before the Tryals of the aboveſaid Perſons, a certain Phyſician has, at the requeſt of ſome honourable Perſons, been to ſee the body, and 'tis ſaid the Coroner's Inqueſt will ſit upon it. *Morning Poſt.*

TUESDAY, *Jan.* 27. Laſt Saturday night ſome Rogues broke into the Houſe of Mr. Butler, a Sugar-Baker on Bennet's Hill, near Doctor's Commons; but the ſervants hearing a noiſe, called in the Watch, and one of the fellows was taken in the Cellar drinking ſmall Beer and Sugar; whereupon he was taken into Cuſtody and examined, and, we hear, he has impeached another, who was confederate with him. *Courant.*

Yeſterday one Waller ſtood in the Pillory at Charing-croſs, for being concerned with another in counterfeiting Half-pence. *Ibid.*

Yeſterday came on at the ſitings of the Court of King's-Bench, Guildhall, the Tryal of Mr. Bambridge, late Warden of the Fleet, and Mr. Corbet, upon the Appeal of the Widow Caſtell. The Council for the Appellant were, Mr. Reeves, Mr. Lee, Mr. Fazakerley, and Mr. Filmer. For the Appellees, Mr. Serjeant Darnell, Mr. Serjeant Hawkins, Mr. Serjeant Eyre, Mr. Kettleby, Mr. Wynne, and Mr. Strange, &c. but the ſaid Tryal laſting very late, we cannot give any certain account of the iſſue. *Ibid.*

The Poſt Boy *adds, that this Tryal was* before the Lord Chief Juſtice Raymond; that it laſted till 12 at night; *and that* the Jury, after withdrawing a few Moments, acquitted them both. *The* Daily Poſt *makes no mention of it. The* Daily Journal *agrees with the* Poſt Boy. *The* Morning Poſt refers the Reader to his next for the Iſſue thereof.

A new company, for managing Funerals, is erecting in this city, compoſed of various kinds of tradeſmen. *Daily Poſt.*

I ſuppoſe this is found neceſſary, on account of the late great encreaſe of Phyſicians, vulgarly called Jockey Doctors.

The Account publiſhed in our laſt, that by the death of the Counteſs of Yarmouth a ſmall penſion reverts to the Crown; we are ſince informed the ſame is falſe, and without Foundation. *St. James's Evening.*

Yeſterday died John Birch, M. D. and a noted Man-midwife, in Bow-lane. *London Evening.*

WEDNESDAY, *Jan.* 28. *The* Daily Poſt *adds to the foregoing article, that he* is ſucceeded in his buſineſs by Dr. Brooke of the ſame place, a perſon of known merit and abilities in his Profeſſion.

Yeſterday George Champion, Eſq; was ſworn in the Court of Aldermen, Alderman of Bridge-ward within. *Daily Journal.*

On Friday laſt ended the ſcrutiny on the Poll for Common-Council-Men of Langbourn-Ward, when Mr. Champion, Mr. Deputy Gabriel Smyth, Sir George Caſwell, Mr. Joſeph Hankey, Mr. James Martin, Mr. Thomas Hoare, Mr. Wm. Hawys, Mr. Sam. Travers, Mr. Tho. Oyles, and Mr. Wm. Pepys were declared duly elected. *Ibid.*

Edingburgh, Jan. 9. 'Tis ſaid Orders are come for ſhutting up the Meeting-houſes of the Nonjurant Clergy. *Courant, Jan.* 27.

Dublin, Jan. 20. On Friday laſt at the Tholſel there was a general Aſſembly of the Rt. Hon. the Lord Mayor and Common-Council of this City, who generouſly and unanimouſly agreed to preſent that truly worthy Patriot the Rev. Dr. Swift, Dean of St. Patrick's, with the Freedom of this City, in a gold Box, made for that purpoſe, on which is engraved the City Arms. *Poſt Boy, Jan.* 27. and *Morning Poſt.*

FOREIGN NEWS.

THURSDAY, *Jan.* 22. *Hague, Jan.* 23. The Conſent of the Province of Groningen to the Acceſſion of the Treaty of Seville was tranſmitted hither yeſterday, as was expected, and this day the Concluſion was taken in the Aſſembly of the States General for the Ratification of it. *Daily Poſt.*

Tangier, Jan. 2. Muly Abdallah is now actually King of Fez and Morocco, being owned in that quality, as well by the Whites, as the Blacks, which laſt he hath earneſtly exhorted to live in Friendſhip with the former, which they begin to do, ſo that the King wants only the the ſubjection of the Kingdom of Suſa, in order to fix his reſidence at Mequinez; the great Treaſure, left by old Muly Iſhmael at his death, has been ſo exhauſted by Abdallah, as well as the 3 other Sons, who fought for the ſucceſſion of the Crown, that there remains in the Treaſury only ſome old pieces of Plate and Jewels; Muly Abdallah, according to antient cuſtom, in order to employ the Soldiery, deſigns to undertake the ſiege of Ceuta, and, if poſſible, that alſo of Melilla, as ſoon as he ſhall be fully ſettled in his Government. *Morning Poſt.*

This day we had 1 Mail from France, and 1 from Holland.

Francfort, Jan. 22. We have advice from Stambergen in Bavaria, that 3 Imperial Regiments, who are to march into Italy, under the command of General Welſeck, were arrived in the Neighbourhood of that place, and would in 10 days be in a condition to paſs the Mountains of Tirol. The Imperial Commiſſary in this City has lately ſent away ſeveral Veſſels laden with Corn for the Magazines of Luxemburg. *Evening Poſt.*

Florence, Jan. 7. The Great Duke's Miniſters continue their extraordinary Conferences to conſider of the Propoſals which have been made to this Court on the part of the Allies of the Treaty lately concluded at Seville. The Miniſters of the Allies make earneſt Inſtances to obtain forthwith a categorical Anſwer on that head, and Father Aſcanio, the Spaniſh Miniſter, waits only for that Anſwer to ſend back into Spain the laſt Courier he received from thence. *Ibid.*

SATURDAY, *Jan.* 24. *Paris, Jan.* 20. In the meeting of the Parliament, which was held the 10th inſtant, the Abbot Pucelle, perceiving that they were ready to ſeparate, deſired the Members to reſume their places; and told them, that he had a piece to communicate to them, which concerned the King, the Church and the State; after which he laid on the table a Brief from the Pope, in form of a Bull, which condemns the Mandates of the Biſhops of Auxerre and Metz, againſt the Legend of Gregory VII. as alſo the Approbation which was given to them by the Parliament. The

Abbot Pucelle exclaimed loudly againſt the Arrogance, and the Attempts of the Court of Rome, and deſired that they would come to a ſpeedy Reſolution upon the contents of the ſaid Brief. This Propoſition made a great noiſe in the Parliament, and Cardinal Fleury, who hath been informed thereof, has ſent for the firſt Preſident and ſome Members to come to Verſailles, to ſee what meaſures can be taken there, to terminate the affair amicably, and without diſobliging the Court of Rome. *Morning Poſt.*

MONDAY, *Jan.* 26. *Hague, Jan.* 20. N. S. "It is again reported here, "that his excellency the Earl of Cheſterfield will quit the Embaſſy to this "State, and enter into the Engliſh Miniſtry, without being employed at "any foreign Court, as was formerly ſuggeſted. *Poſt Boy.*

"Our publick News-papers ſpeak very favourably of an Acommodation "between the Courts of Hanover and Berlin, upon what ground we know "not. Oſtend Stock riſes and falls every week; it is now at 130 upon "the Exchange at Antwerp, where it is principally negotiated; but there "are no Buyers even at that price. *Ibid.*

TUESDAY, *Jan.* 27. Yeſterday arrived the Mail due from France, and 1 from Holland.

Madrid, Jan. 16. N. S. On the 10th inſtant, the Treaty of Peace lately concluded at Seville was publiſhed here with the uſual Ceremonies. *Poſt Boy.*

Hague, Jan. 31. N. S. On Friday night laſt an Expreſs was diſpatched by the way of Paris, with the States Generals Ratification, and of their Acceſſion to the Treaty of Seville, to M. Vander Meer, their High Mightineſſes Ambaſſador at the Court of Spain. The States came laſt Week to a Reſolution to fit out 12 Men of War and 4 Frigates for the Service of the current year; which Reſolution is ſent to the reſpective Provinces for their Approbation. *Gazette.*

WEDNESDAY, *Jan.* 28. Yeſterday arrived the Mail due from Holland.

Milan, Jan. 14. N. S. Our laſt Advices from Florence ſay, that Court had not yet returned a poſitive Anſwer to the Miniſters of England, France and Spain, concerning the Introduction of Don Carlos into Italy. The Prince of Carbognano-Colonna is returned hither, with deſign to make ſome ſtay among us. *Courant.*

Vienna, Jan. 21. N. S. Letters from Conſtantinople, of the 2d paſt, adviſe, that they had received an account, that the young Sophi having been reinforced by a body of Troops commanded by Mahmud, one of the principal Lords of the Province of Candahar, had in 3 battles defeated Sultan Eſreff's army, and diſperſed his beſt troops: that the Conquerors afterwards made themſelves Maſters of the important Poſt of Bender-Abaſſi, which cuts off the Communication between Iſpahan and Sultan Eſreff's army: that the numerous forces of the Great Mogul were on full march to the young Sophy's aſſiſtance; and that this laſt had promiſed Mahmud the Sovereignty of the Province of Candahar, in conſideration of his ſervices. The ſame Letters add, that a great Divan was held upon the receipt of the News, to conſider whether the Porte ſhould aſſiſt Sultan Eſreff, or not; but that their ſentiments were divided, and that an Ambaſſador from the young Sophi was arrived at Conſtantinople, who had already had an Audience of the Grand Vizier. *Ibid.*

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